

that the reviewer would want to call further attention to; that is the discussion of Metabolism. This author has come out very clearly in placing the correlated subjects of Thyroid, Adrenal and Hypophysis in direct sequence with the metabolic and trophic diseases of bones, joints and muscles. The author has clothed this very interesting work in good, clear, simple, scientific German that greatly facilitates its reading for those of us who may not read that language quite so fluently as would the German-born student. We shall await with much interest the arrival of the succeeding volumes of this most promising system. G. H. T.

#### NEWS NOTES FROM NEWSPAPERS.

Bakersfield doctors stirred up the district attorney to proceed against a couple of "Chinese doctors" and they were recently convicted and fined \$200 apiece. Good work.

The Stockton State Hospital was the unhappy recipient of an unwelcome present in the shape of four cases of smallpox in March.

A pardon for Dr. W. P. Burke, who was convicted of trying to dynamite Lu Etta Smith and is in San Quentin, has been signed by more than 15,000 persons, it is said. There seems to be a whole lot of misdirected sympathy going around.

Birth certificates should be sent in within five days. A good many physicians are forgetting this and not complying with the law; that is a mistake; the law is a good law and should be strictly lived up to. Reform!

At Grass Valley a dog, later found to have rabies, bit a number of animals, some of them quite valuable. But it is foolish to muzzle dogs and kill the strays; very foolish; let us have rabies.

Dr. Franklin L. Martin, of Chicago, has been out here on an expedition to organize the "American Royal Institute, or College, of Surgeons," the latest national Murphy advertising adventure.

Fresno, it is said in the "Republican," has had 16 cases of rabies in human beings since the first of this year. Nice doggy! It is cruel and inhuman to muzzle you!

Dr. J. L. Hennemuth, of Modesto, has been appointed County Health Officer to succeed Dr. Lappe.

Dr. Frank T. Duncan, San Francisco, was indicted and arrested in March, being accused of performing an abortion on a Mrs. Dunning.

Dr. J. B. Murphy, of Chicago, principal promoter of the proposed "American Royal College of Surgeons," has been visiting in the southern part of the state.

Berkeley is still suffering from antivaccinationitis; a petition to the city fathers has been made, asking that the health board be changed; they are too fond of vaccination.

A burn from a hot water bottle was the cause of a suit against the Pomona Valley Hospital Association for \$5,000. The hospital won but a new trial has been allowed.

Bakersfield has had three cases of epidemic spinal meningitis in the early part of March. They occurred in the oil district nearby.

Dr. George E. Tucker, of Riverside, Chairman of the State Society Committee on Public Policy and Legislation, is staying in Sacramento during the session of the legislature. On March 14th, Dr. Tucker delivered a talk on public health matters to the citizens of Ukiah.

"Los Angeles the Chemically Pure," is the title of a most brilliant and entertaining article in the March number of the "Smart Set." It is a delicious morsel!

The Travel Study Tour will leave New York July 3rd, visit a number of places in European countries and wind up immediately following the International Congress in London, August 5th to 13th. Full information can be had from Dr. Richard Kovacs, 236 East 69th Street, New York City.

Alameda County has decided to have a million dollar hospital to be located at San Lorenzo. It is said that 65 architects have undertaken to compete for the plans.

"Dr." O. C. Joslen is to have a third trial for the betrayal of Ethel Williams; the jury disagreed at the second trial.

Dr. H. S. Tanner, the starving expert, was just finishing a "lecture" on electricity, air, etc. (presumably articles of diet for Tanner), when his associate in the business of promoting "Normal Life," "Dr." J. A. Harriman, was arrested for practicing medicine illegally.

Anti-typhoid treatment is to be administered to the students of the University of California, as they may request it. The announcement was made that the treatments would be begun March 24th, and a very large number of students immediately filed the request. Probably, in time, anti-typhoid treatment will be as much a requirement as vaccination.

Colusa was given the opportunity to attend a lecture by Dr. W. A. Sawyer, on "Preventable Diseases," February 12th.

San Francisco is trying to start a war on the smoke nuisance. It not only is a public nuisance, but it is a waste of good fuel, if the business man would only appreciate the fact.

Long Beach physicians have fixed upon a green St. Andrews cross as their distinctive mark, to be placed on the front of their automobiles for identification purposes.

The California Eclectic Medical College, Los Angeles, dined a dozen of the legislators during the legislative vacation and devoted their energies to denouncing the American Medical Association, the Association of American Medical Colleges and everybody who wanted to have medical men properly educated. It must have been an encouraging banquet—for the twentieth century!

The Sacramento County Society, by resolution, requested the City Commission to raise the salary of the city physician from \$166 a month to \$300 a month.

The Los Angeles County health officer, Dr. E. O. Sawyer, is to investigate the islands off the southern California coast with the object of finding one that would make a suitable quarantine station for lepers.

In spite of Friedmann's best efforts, cures for tuberculosis continue to be "discovered." Since he landed in New York with his own original and only "cure," the newspapers have announced at least three others.

Typhoid vaccination (abominable use of the word "vaccination") having been found to be wonderfully successful in the Army and Navy, its use is to be extended to the militia before they go out for the annual field duty.

The Cancer Research Laboratory of Columbia University, for which funds were provided by George Crocker, will be built and in operation before the end of the year.

Fresno is to have another hospital, this one to be built by Dr. T. N. Sample; the plans are almost complete.

It is said that a new "medical" (?) journal is to be started in Los Angeles, its object being to fight the licensed schools. It could not be worse than those already existing there, so let it happen.

Dr. Enloe is to build a hospital on Flume street, Chico.

Lodi has just created a board of health and, in another ordinance, fixed penalties for violation of its rules.

Dr. Hugh Beattie has been reappointed health officer of Sacramento county.

**Oakland (NOT Santa Cruz) is the place of the Annual Meeting of the State Society, April 15, 16 and 17, 1913.**